

November 1, 1995

Mr. John J. Barton  
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SUBJECT: CHANGES IN THE OYSTER CREEK DRYWELL MONITORING PROGRAM  
(TAC NO. M93658)

Dear Mr. Barton:

In a letter dated September 15, 1995, GPU Nuclear Corporation (GPUN) stated that they assessed the condition of the drywell based upon inspections performed at Oyster Creek during the 15R refueling outage (15R) and submitted an extended drywell inspection plan for the remaining life of the plant. GPUN also stated that they remain committed, as stated in their letter of May 26, 1992, to continue taking drywell thickness measurements for the life of the plant.

The staff has reviewed the information provided by GPUN and concludes that changes in the drywell corrosion monitoring program as planned by GPUN is acceptable if GPUN commits to additional inspection within approximately 3 months after discovery of water leakage from the pools above the reactor cavity. Our safety evaluation is enclosed.

Within 30 days of the date of this letter, we request that you provide your intent to perform additional inspection within approximately 3 months after discovery of water leakage.

This requirement affects nine or fewer respondents and, therefore, is not subject to the Office of Management and Budget review under P.L. No. 96-511.

Sincerely,  
Original signed by:

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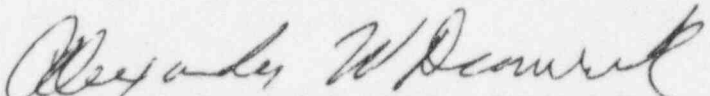
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